

The Director of Central Intelligence

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Dear	Dave:				,

As you are aware, one of the main objectives of this Administration is to improve and strengthen the current counterintelligence/countermeasures capabilities of the Intelligence Community. One of my immediate concerns is the need to increase the Federal Bureau of Investigation/Foreign Counterintelligence (FBI/FCI) manpower and technical capabilities to deal with the increased hostile threat in the United States. For example,	25X1 25X1 25X1
As evidenced by the recent OMB passback to the Department of Justice, your office appears prepared to support this increase, but would offset this by any increase Congress approves in FY 1983. I believe this offset should not be imposed because it would prevent us from achieving the full build-up over the two years which I consider essential to adequately cope with the sharply increased activity of the Soviet Bloc and Cuban espionage services within the United States. I have expressed my concern to Judge Clark regarding OMB's decision on	25X1
this matter and he supports my view that any increases approved by Congress for FY 1983 should be additive to the FY 1984 request.	25 X 1
Overall, I believe we are building improved CI capabilities at a pace that prudent management and the complexities of the problem will sustain. Any increases for the FBI/FCI program should be accompanied by raising the overall allowance within the Department of Justice and should not be at the expense of other programs within the Department.	25X1
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Given the high priority the President places on the strengthening of our counterintelligence effort, I would hope you could agree to this increase for the FBI/FCI program. I am prepared to discuss this further should you believe

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Sincerely,

Signed

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